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AGENT AND SURFACE-TREATED METAL

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION)**

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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2008 in the above-captioned case.

*Amendments to the Claims* are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 6 of this paper.